

What is claimed is:

1. Apparatus comprising:

a subscriber station for communicating with a base station of a fixed wireless access network;  
a power line station for communicating over a power line network; and  
internetworking logic for communicating between the subscriber station and power line station.

2. A wireless metropolitan area network, comprising:

a fixed wireless access network having at least one base station; and  
a bridge modem, the bridge modem comprising  
a subscriber station for communicating with the base station of the fixed wireless access network;  
a power line station for communicating over a power line network; and  
means for internetworking the subscriber station and power line station.

3. The wireless metropolitan area network of claim 2, wherein the bridge modem is coupled to a low voltage lines of a distribution power transformer.

4. Method of providing broadband access comprising:

providing a fixed wireless access network having a least one base station;  
providing at least one subscriber station,  
providing internetworking logic for communicating between the subscriber station and a power line station;  
connecting the power line station to low voltage power distribution lines of a distribution power transformer;  
setting up a virtual local area network over lower voltage power distribution lines on the low voltage lines to provide broadband communication services to one or more predetermined power line stations connected with the power line network.